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OUR COMING STATE CONVENTION.

Now that the executive committee has had its meeting and prepared the program for our coming Ohio State convention, a series of questions will arise in your minds relative to it, and they are questions not answered by the program. To answer them is the purpose of this paper.

The Brethren at West Alexandria will entertain all who come entirely free of charge, but you would assist us greatly in the work if you should write me, saying how many will come from your church. By so doing, entertainment could be more easily provided and we would consider it as a favor if you should do so.

In accordance with a resolution passed by the Sunday school convention last year, the committee programmed the Sunday school convention to open and hold its sessions before the church convention, allowing it two sessions. This meeting is of no less importance than the convention proper, and we sincerely hope you will show by your attendance and reports that you recognize fully the value of this adjunct to the church. Let each Sunday school in the Brotherhood send its delegates to this meeting or in case of its inability to do so, send a report of its work since last convention. Let each report state

1. How many months in session.
2. Number of officers.
3. Number of scholars.
4. Number of teachers.
5. Kind of literature used.
6. Total collections.
7. Average collections.
8. Do you observe Children's Day?
9. How many conversions from the S. S.?

The basis of representation is defined by the constitution for the church—"one delegate for each fifty members or fraction thereof," and so far as I know, this is also

the basis of representation in the Sunday school convention.

The convention prescribes the form of credential for the ministerial members thereof but not for the lay delegates. It decided several years ago, that matter for the consideration of the convention must be upon a sheet separate from the credentials. Bear this in mind and you will save the committee on credentials unnecessary work.

We shall use the Brethren Hymnody as our music book during the convention. Delegates and visitors will please bring their books with them if they possess any of that kind.

West Alexandria is situated in Preble county, one of the western tier in the state, and well toward the south. It is situated on the Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinaw Railroad, which traverses the state from north to south, through its western tier of counties and is therefore crossed by all of the east and west roads of Ohio. The B. and O. crosses it at Sherwood; C. J. and M. trains coming south at 5:28 A. M. and 12:21 P. M. The Wabash crosses at Cecil, from which place trains come south at 5:39 A. M. and 12:33 P. M. The Nickle Plate junction is at Latty, with trains south at 6:01 A. M. and 1:07 P. M. The Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago main line, crosses at Van Wert, with trains south at 6:37 A. M. and 1:45 P. M. The Erie and Clover Leaf lines cross the C. J. and M. at Ohio City, from which point trains south leave at 6:53 A. M. and 2:01 P. M. The L. E. and W. crosses at Celina, with trains south at 7:31 A. M. and 2:36 P. M. The C. C. C. and St. L. crosses at Ansonia; trains south at 8:28 A. M. and 3:29 P. M. The P. C. C. and St. L. crosses at Meekers; trains south at 8:35 A. M. and 3:36 P. M. The D. and U. and also the Indianapolis division of the P. C. C. and St. L. cross at Greenville, from which point trains south may be had at 8:50 A. M. and 3:50 P. M. The Peoria and Eastern R. R. junction is at Savona; trains south at 9:08 A. M. and 4:08 P. M. The Cincinnati division of the P. C. C. and St. L. crosses the C. J. and M. at West Manchester from which place trains south are at 9:23 A. M. and 4:22 P. M. West Alexandria is reached from the north at 9:52 A. M. and 4:49 P. M. From the south at 10:03 A. M. and 6:54 P. M. I hope this explanation of its location,

and how to reach it may be understood.

It will not be possible for us to secure rates from the Central Traffic Association, but we are negotiating with the C. J. and M. and think we shall succeed in securing favorable rates over its line. As soon as we hear definitely from that company, we shall report the result. The report will be made within a week.

And now, Brethren, it only remains for you to make this the most successful convention we have yet had. These gatherings have been well attended in the past which is evidence of the interest we have had in our common cause. But let there be even a greater interest, for there is yet room for improvement. Let each of the congregations elect the full number of delegates to which it is entitled, or being unable to do so, let it represent by letter its condition and its wishes. And let us come in the name of Him whose we are, and whom we serve, to further the work He has intrusted into our hands, to bind Zion more closely together in effort and purpose, and to bring honor upon the gospel-alone and its adherents.

Our corresponding secretary is unable to address each of you by personal letter, but I feel that you are God's children, and are interested in, and devoted to Him, and that the simple announcement made by this paper, will be sufficient.

May the grace of God be with us in our labors.

Yours for the advancement of Zion,

MARTIN SHIVELY.

GRATIS, OHIO.

May 14, 1894.

The annual convention of the Eastern district of the Brethren's Church convened at the Brethren's tabernacle on Salem avenue, Roanoke, Wednesday morning at 10:45 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. D. C. Moomaw, made an address of welcome to the delegates, which was responded to by Rev. George Copp E. B. Shaver, of Shenandoah. The permanent organization was effected as follows: President, Rev. D. C. Moomaw; vice-president, E. B. Shaver; secretary, B. C. Moomaw; treasurer, Mrs. Edward Nininger. About seventy-five delegates are in attendance representing thirty-five churches. Rev. B. C. Moomaw, of Buena Vista entertained a large audience, "The Rum Valley Railroad". The convention will remain in session to-day and to-morrow.—Roanoke Times.